

of the parties to the Genoa conference maneuvering on the side to forestall the conference's work.

Under these circumstances, the official added, it was clear that nothing could be done for either Russia or Germany. Whether the conference could accomplish something for Central Europe, apart from Germany, was a different question.

FRENCH DELEGATES ORDERED TO QUIT IF NEW TREATY STANDS

Germany and Russia Have Made Conference Impossible, Foreign Office Says.

PARIS, April 18 (United Press).—Louis Barthou, head of France's delegation to Genoa, has been instructed by his Government to request the Allies to force annulment of the Russo-German treaty. It was authoritatively announced after a Cabinet meeting to-day.

If this is not done, Barthou is to withdraw the French delegation from the conference.

The Cabinet also approved the action of its chief delegate, who telegraphed to Poincaré, who had decided not to sit in further conferences with either the Germans or Russians, in view of their "treachery."

A concerted Allied move against the new treaty was urged by a Cabinet resolution. Final instructions will be sent to Barthou after to-day's meeting of Allied leaders at Genoa.

"Russia and Germany, by signing a treaty at Rapallo, have rendered the Genoa Economic Conference impossible," an official statement from the Quai d'Orsay, the French Foreign Office, said to-day.

The French press is vituperative. Most of the venom is directed at Lloyd George, strangely enough. The British Premier is denounced for having called the conference, the general tone of editorials being that Genoa has created an opportunity for Germany to ally herself with the Bolsheviks. One paper heads its criticism, "George's Insanity."

GENOA, April 18.—France will take no further part in conferences at Genoa with either Russia or Germany, Louis Barthou, head of the French delegation, declared to-day, if the treaty signed at Rapallo by Chicherin and Rathenau is not immediately annulled.

ROME, April 18 (Associated Press).—The signing of the Russo-German Treaty is commented upon by the Tempo to-day as "a bitter surprise," the newspaper adding:

"There is no doubt but that the Russians had won general sympathy, but anxious doubts now arise about them. Who can hinder the Germans from exploiting their advantages as the first great power to recognize the Soviet as a Government of June 7? If the Entente is unable to exclude the Germans from Russia it must accept recognition of June."

"The dose is a bitter one for all the Entente delegations, including that of Italy, which profoundly disapproves of the Russo-German action."

Former Premier Nitti's newspaper, *Il Paese*, says:

"Our nationalists will find in this treaty a foully devised weapon brandished against the Entente policy—a disloyal, ill-advised move in which Germany has compromised the success of the conference."

WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR KILLING SISTER COLLAPSES TWICE

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"I want to go to the chair," she exclaimed, the detective said.

Charles Dresser, a neighbor of the Renselmans, told of taking Mrs. Renselman to New York with her baby two days before the murder and leaving her there. The next time he saw her was on Jan. 16, when she called at his home. Mrs. Dresser, he said, asked who was staying with her, and she said her sister was home.

On the afternoon of Jan. 17, Mr. Dresser testified, he was called to the Renselman home. A police dog was dead on the floor. Mrs. Renselman was sitting on a couch, the body of Miss Vessels was on a couch in a corner of the room, and the revolver was on the floor. Mrs. Renselman, he said, was standing as though dazed, by the couch where lay Miss Vessels' body.

Miss Vessels came to this country from Germany last August with money sent to her by Mrs. Renselman. Mrs. Renselman shortly after this went out to work and Miss Vessels and Renselman were left alone in the house. Later Renselman went to New York, and Miss Vessels got a position in New York.

In Mrs. Renselman's alleged confession, as given by the prosecutor, the defendant declared that Miss Vessels confessed to her that she had been living with Renselman. Mrs. Renselman went to New York, persuaded Miss Vessels to return to the farm near West Long Branch, it is alleged, and then shot her while asleep. Mrs. Renselman then sent a letter to her husband in New York telling him that she intended to kill her sister. She also is said to have confessed she planned to murder her husband and her baby, kill the family dog and then herself. Emotional insanity and the "une-stien law" are expected to be her defense, her counsel intimated.

You Need Not Have a Cold. You will take Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets when you feel the first symptoms of a cold coming on—Adv.

TWO NEW JUDGES JOIN IN CLEAN-UP OF CRIME CASES

Ten Courts Now Making Rapid Progress in 101 Cases on Calendars.

ALL TRIALS RUSHED.

Judge McIntyre Disposes of Four Murder Indictments in First Hour.

With ten criminal courts working in the Criminal Courts Building to-day, rapid progress was made toward the disposition of the 101 cases on the calendars of these tribunals, including two cases of first degree murder, three of manslaughter, five of assault with a deadly weapon, forty-eight of robbery, forty-three of burglary and one of violation of the Sullivan law. Four murder indictments, two of them old and two of recent date, were disposed of by Judge McIntyre in the Court of General Sessions in the first hour of the session.

Judges Robert Johnstone and Morris Koenig, specially appointed by Gov. Miller to expedite cases here to assist in fighting the crime wave, opened additional parts of the Courts of General Sessions, taking up cases transferred from other parts. Judge Johnstone's first appearance on the bench was made the occasion for a celebration by former District Attorney Jerome and former members of his staff with whom Mr. Johnstone was first associated as one of Mr. Jerome's assistants.

Harold Hastings and James E. McDonald, who have been deputy assistants, were to-day promoted to be statutory assistants to the District Attorney at salaries of \$7,500 a year. Mr. McDonald will act as a trial assistant in homicide cases and Mr. Hastings will have charge of the indictment bureau.

Judge McIntyre accepted pleas of guilty of minor degrees from four men who were originally indicted for murder in the first degree. Peter Masterson, No. 57 East 130th Street, who on March 22, 1921, killed John Clark, a Negro, by hitting him with a baseball bat in a fight at a ball game at 147th Street and Lenox Avenue, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the second degree.

Salvatore D'Aliso, No. 72 Spring Street, accused of killing Joseph Marone, No. 194 Mott Street, in a crap game on Feb. 27, was allowed to plead guilty of assault in the first degree. Assistant District Attorney McDonald said investigation showed that D'Aliso shot Marone in the right knee. Marone was taken to Bellevue Hospital where he died. The shooting was a result of an argument over a woman. He was then allowed to start for his home, but dropped dead on the street. The Medical Examiner gave the cause of death as "shock and asphyxia."

Peter Mercogliano, of No. 2584 Eighth Avenue, who ran a truck on the sidewalk in St. Mark's Place July 6, 1920, killing one man and injuring two others, was allowed to plead guilty of violation of the highway law. Although charged with murder in the first degree, investigation after Marcolino's surrender showed there was no criminal negligence on his part.

Judge McIntyre accepted a plea of guilty of murder in the second degree from seventeen-year-old Louis Garofalo, No. 9 Henry Street, who killed Demosthenes Santonacou, a jeweler, in a hold-up at No. 27 Madison Street on Feb. 23. A commission reported to the court that Garofalo is an epileptic defective. He was sentenced to prison for a term of from twenty years to life. His father is under observation in the Bellevue psychopathic ward.

Justice Finch sentenced Charles Cling, No. 218 East 24th Street, a graduate of Elmira Reformatory, to serve thirty years in Sing Sing. Cling held up Eugene Merritt, a milk route collector, and robbed him of \$240.

Justice Crain sentenced Rudolph Gerlach, thirty-four, No. 65 East 124th Street, who admitted assaulting a fifteen-year-old girl, to Sing Sing Prison for a term of from four to eight years.

John Connor, who with Daniel McNamara robbed a jewelry store at No. 1221 Broadway, pleaded guilty to burglary and attempted grand larceny. Judge Rosinsky sentenced Connor to five years in Sing Sing and McNamara to Elmira Reformatory.

SENT UP FOR 10 YEARS ON BURGLARY CHARGE

Edward Johnson, of No. 38 Buffalo Avenue, Brooklyn, for burglary in the first degree, was sentenced to serve from five to ten years in Sing Sing Prison by County Judge Haskell in Brooklyn to-day.

Theodore Mathes, of No. 81 Osborn Street, Brooklyn, for third degree assault, was sentenced to an indefinite term in the penitentiary.

Martha Bibby, No. 321 Seventh Street, Brooklyn, was found guilty in County Court, Brooklyn, to-day of grand larceny in the second degree. John O'Brien, a Health Department inspector, alleged that Bibby had sold his automobile and kept the proceeds, \$500.

LITTLE CHILDREN Need a Strong Tonic. Give them Father John's Medicine. All pure food—Adv.

Obstructions That Blocked Firemen In Getting to Building Where 3 Died



The photograph shows the condition of Wadsworth Terrace in front of the unfinished apartment

house in which Mrs. Laurene Sherwood Helms and her two children were burned to death.

Similar obstructions fill the street for an eighth of a mile to Wadsworth Avenue, from which the firemen had to lay their hose.

HAVRE DE GRACE ENTRIES

HAVRE DE GRACE, Md., April 18.—The entries for to-morrow's races are as follows:

FIRST RACE—Claiming, two-year-olds, four furlongs. Weight.

100	Buado	116
98	Zona	105
97	The Muldoon	108
96	Wild Mount	107
95	Jean F.	104
94	Idol	112
93	Aleppo	111
92	Bessie Lightfoot	107
91	Royal Oak	105
90	Josephine	104
89	Isabel	102
88	Lady Rose	100
87	Queen Mañana	101
86	Louise Grosby	104
85	Angeline	100

Also eligible: 113 Blumstein, 112, 111, 110, 109, 108, 107, 106, 105, 104, 103, 102, 101, 100, 99, 98, 97, 96, 95, 94, 93, 92, 91, 90, 89, 88, 87, 86, 85, 84, 83, 82, 81, 80, 79, 78, 77, 76, 75, 74, 73, 72, 71, 70, 69, 68, 67, 66, 65, 64, 63, 62, 61, 60, 59, 58, 57, 56, 55, 54, 53, 52, 51, 50, 49, 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 40, 39, 38, 37, 36, 35, 34, 33, 32, 31, 30, 29, 28, 27, 26, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

SECOND RACE—The Landowne Steeplechase, four-year-olds and upward, about two miles.

Also eligible: 113 Blumstein, 112, 111, 110, 109, 108, 107, 106, 105, 104, 103, 102, 101, 100, 99, 98, 97, 96, 95, 94, 93, 92, 91, 90, 89, 88, 87, 86, 85, 84, 83, 82, 81, 80, 79, 78, 77, 76, 75, 74, 73, 72, 71, 70, 69, 68, 67, 66, 65, 64, 63, 62, 61, 60, 59, 58, 57, 56, 55, 54, 53, 52, 51, 50, 49, 48, 47, 46, 45, 44, 43, 42, 41, 40, 39, 38, 37, 36, 35, 34, 33, 32, 31, 30, 29, 28, 27, 26, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

THIRD RACE—Claiming, three-year-olds, five and a half furlongs. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

FOURTH RACE—The Aero Handicap for three-year-olds and upward, six furlongs. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

FIFTH RACE—The Pace Book Purse, four-year-olds and upward, one mile and seventy yards. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

SIXTH RACE—Claiming, four-year-olds and upward, one and one-eighth miles. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

SEVENTH RACE—Claiming, three-year-olds and upward, mile and seventy yards. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

EIGHTH RACE—Claiming, four-year-olds and upward, one and one-eighth miles. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

NINTH RACE—Claiming, four-year-olds and upward, one and one-eighth miles. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

TENTH RACE—Claiming, four-year-olds and upward, one and one-eighth miles. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

ELEVENTH RACE—Claiming, four-year-olds and upward, one and one-eighth miles. Weight.

100	Star Voter	112
98	Carmanado	108
97	The Boy	104
96	Double Cross	101
95	Albino	100
94	Blindfold	100
93	19 Irish Dream	104
92	Blindfold	100
91	88 Missionary	100
90	86 Blumstein	100
89	87 Blumstein	100
88	81 L. Ross entry, (three pounds claimed for rider)	100

MOTHER AND 2 BABES PERISH IN A FIRE; LANDLORD IS HELD

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The Tenement House Department, April 13, affixed a notice to the building forbidding its occupancy on the ground that it had not been completed and no certificate of fitness for occupancy had been issued by the department.

The owner had remedied "numerous violations of the regulations of the department," as required by Section No. 121 of the Tenement House Law. Under Section No. 142 of the same law, Epstein had five days, or until to-day, to comply with this notice by remedying the faulty conditions.

According to Detective Lieut. Benoit and Detectives Geiger and Mullins of the West 17th Street Station, six of the forty apartments in the large double dwelling have been occupied since April 1. Some of the tenants moved in on the first day of the month.

The tenants have been using kerosene lamps and lanterns in the apartments and have been lighting matches to find their way up the stairs. They have been wading from 70th Street and Wadsworth Avenue to the door through pools of mud and over hills of paving material and excavated dirt, among which are steam shovels and derricks and cement mixers.

The detectives learned that Mrs. Helms paid \$180, two months' rent before April 1 and on that day and every day thereafter applied to William Abel, superintendent of the building, for her keys. Abel said he put her off from day to day until yesterday. When she called again for the keys in the afternoon she received them.

MRS. HELMS MOVED INTO APARTMENT LAST NIGHT.

Abel told Lieut. Benoit that he learned to-day that Mrs. Helms, accompanied by her brother-in-law, Walter D. Eastwood, No. 540 West 188th Street, moved in at a late hour last night.

Abel said that Mrs. Helms brought only enough furniture, as she put it, "to camp out until she was settled." There was a folding bed, two chairs, a table, a bureau and some cooking utensils, linen and silverware.

Mr. Eastwood went out and bought candles, which were fixed in place by melted grease on plates and set on the table and chairs, that after getting the furniture in place they had left.

Mr. Eastwood was the only one to leave, however. He went at about 9 o'clock, the detectives said, while Mrs. Helms was putting the children to bed.

The Helms apartment, which was on the third floor, and apartments above and below it were swept by a fire which was discovered at about 2:30 this morning. When it was extinguished, after delays due to the surroundings and the condition of the streets, Mrs. Helms and the children were found dead in the bed. The detectives believe Mrs. Helms lay down with the children, intending to get up when they were sound asleep and continue setting things to rights, and fell asleep and that a candle on the table which was near the end of the bed fell and ignited the bedclothing and the mattress.

The firemen, because of the lack of lights, as required rigidly by the Tenement House law, thought they were dealing with an unfinished and unoccupied building and bent all their efforts to minimizing the loss on the property. Had there been the slightest reason to believe there were tenants in the building their attack would, of course, have been directed to saving life first.

When the firemen under Battalion Chief O'Connor arrived the flames had spread to unoccupied apartments on the fourth and second floors. The firemen experienced great difficulties

KISSES HIS WIFE GOODBY, SHOOTS HER, ENDS OWN LIFE

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cries and Kilger stopped a taxicab and rushed her to Roosevelt Hospital. Walker took charge of Muller's body, which was taken to the police station.

The girl, unusually pretty and well dressed, had lost a great deal of blood and was placed on the operating table at once. She told the story and said Muller's parents live at No. 41 Reeves Place, Brooklyn.

In Muller's pocket the police found a long letter that indicated Muller had met his wife with the intention of killing her and ending his own life. It was addressed to his parents and its substance, as given out by the police, was:

"By the time you see this you will probably be upset. Everything I have attempted has been a failure. I cannot live without my wife. It is too bad we could not agree. I have had my insurance transferred to you. Take good care of Mildred. She is living with Elsie at No. 2536 Church Avenue."

The letter ended by saying that he did not want to be parted from his wife even in death, and asked that they be buried in the same grave.

Henry Muller, No. 41 Reeves Place, Brooklyn, father of the dead man, said he had not seen his son since Christmas. The young man's wife, he said, was formerly Elsie Peterson.

They have a daughter, Mildred, six years old.

"They were reconciled last August," he said, "and lived together for a time in St. Mark's Avenue."

Mrs. Elizabeth Peterson, No. 2536 Church Avenue, Brooklyn, mother of Mrs. Muller, said the couple visited her Sunday, when Muller brought an Easter basket for the little girl. It was then that the appointment was made for the final meeting in Manhattan.

CROKER'S FORMER SECRETARY LEAVES ESTATE TO WIDOW

The will of John H. Campbell, for fifteen years treasurer of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company, was filed at Minors to-day. It was dated Dec. 12, 1921. Mr. Campbell died on April 3 at the Garden City Hotel. All of the estate is left to the widow, Mrs. Emma Campbell, except a pearl pin, willed to a friend, Seth B. King, of 73 Park Place, Manhattan. The value of personal property is given as more than \$10,000; there is no real property. The New York Trust Company is named as executor. Mr. Campbell was formerly secretary to Richard Croker, Tammany leader.

In approaching the building with their apparatus because the street is being repaved and access is hampered by the presence of steam shovels and other material. The firemen were forced to run lines of hose from the cellar of the building at No. 374 Wadsworth Avenue across a chasm about twenty-five feet wide to the fire-escapes of the burning building, which is situated on a terrace about 15 feet below that of the building in Wadsworth Avenue.

MRS. HELMS RECENTLY VISITED PARENTS IN BOSTON.

BOSTON, April 18.—Mrs. Laurene Helms, who was burned to death with her two small children in a New York apartment, was the daughter of Charles A. Sherwood, general manager of the Boston Telegram. She was twenty-two years old. Mrs. Helms returned to New York recently after a visit at her parents' home here and had just rented the apartment. Mr. Sherwood received a letter from her to-day a few minutes before he was informed of her death in a telephone message. In the letter Mrs. Helms expressed satisfaction with her new home.